

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, ~~In a distributed computing system~~ comprising:
a client coupled to a plurality of resources and computing tasks on servers located on a
network; and
a system to control client access to ~~such~~ said plurality of resources and computing tasks
on servers, comprising: the system including
a database to store ~~one or more~~ a policy criteria associated with a user;
a license manager to generate ~~one or more tokens~~ a token according to an
allocated access session based on said policy criteria associated with the user; and
a server based token monitor to initiate and terminate access of server resources
and server computing tasks ~~access~~ according to said ~~generated~~ token.
2. (Currently Amended) The apparatus ~~system~~ of claim 1, wherein the allocated access session is based on said policy criteria associated with said plurality of resources.
3. (Currently Amended) The apparatus ~~system~~ of claim 1, wherein the policy criteria is includes a combination of different policy criterion.
4. (Currently Amended) The apparatus ~~system~~ of claim 1, wherein ~~one or more~~ said allocated access session is associated with the user.
5. (Currently Amended) The apparatus ~~system~~ of claim 1, wherein the token monitor

~~further comprises~~ includes a criteria evaluator that notifies the token monitor if said criteria is triggered.

6. (Currently Amended) The apparatus ~~system~~ of claim 5, wherein the criteria evaluator ~~is~~ includes a calendar and said criterion triggered ~~is~~ includes a specific period including at least one member selected from the group consisting of a certain day of ~~the~~ a week, a certain day of ~~the~~ a month, a certain month, a certain week, or a certain number of days.

7. (Currently Amended) The apparatus ~~system~~ of claim 5, wherein the criteria evaluator ~~is~~ includes a counter and said criterion triggered ~~is a~~ includes at least one number ~~including~~ selected from the group consisting of a number of user access, a number of files produced, a number of files opened, a number of files saved, ~~or~~ and a number of pages printed.

8. (Currently Amended) The apparatus ~~system~~ of claim 5, wherein the criteria evaluator ~~is~~ includes a timer and said criterion triggered ~~is a~~ includes at least one time ~~including~~ selected from the group consisting of a time of day, a time interval in a day, ~~or~~ and a specific time on a specific day.

9. (Currently Amended) The of apparatus ~~system~~ claim 1, further ~~comprises~~ comprising a secondary access database that provides for token creation when initial allocated access session s(e) are depleted.

10. (Currently Amended) The of apparatus ~~system~~ claim 1, further ~~comprises~~ comprising a notification component to alert the user when initial allocated access session s(e) reach a pre-selected level.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~In a distributed computing system, a~~ A method for managing user access to server resources and/or server computing tasks on a distributed computing system network comprising ~~the steps of:~~

creating one or more server resource and/or server computing task access sessions(s) by a system administrator, wherein said one or more server resource and/or server computing task access session s(s) are assigned to a specific user and stored on a database;

verifying a user resource request from the specific user against its associated assigned server resource and/or server computing task access sessions(s) by a license manager; and

generating a token corresponding to said server resource and/or server computing task access session s(s) for the specific user by said license manager, wherein the token enables through a server based token manager, the specific user to initiate access said of server resources and/or server computing tasks as well as terminate access of server resources and/or server computing tasks on the distributed computing system network.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein ~~the~~ creation of resource access session s(s) is based on user licensing criteria.

13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein ~~the~~ creation of resource access session s(s) is based on application licensing criteria.

14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, further comprising ~~the step of~~ creating secondary resource access session s(s) for token generation when initial resource access session s(s) are depleted.

15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the token generated enables resource access for a segment of the a whole resource access session.

16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 15, further comprising generating a new token when access for said segment ~~access~~ is depleted and additional access remains in the whole resource access session.

17. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, further comprising ~~the steps of:~~
notifying the specific user when initial resource access session s(s) reaches a pre-selected level; and
renewing by the specific user said initial resource access session s(s).

18. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 17, wherein the specific user utilizes a secondary access session~~(s)~~.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, further comprising ~~the steps of:~~
monitoring a license criterion of said token; and
terminating user access when said license criterion is triggered.